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Serial No.: 09/981,460 Art Unit: 1632
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For: LIPID-PROTEIN-SUGAR PARTICLES FOR DELIVERY OF NUCLEIC ACIDS

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136

A two (2) month extension of time, from January 16, 2004, up to and including March 16, 2004, is requested to respond to the Office Action, mailed October 16, 2003, in the above-referenced application. A check in the amount of \$210.00 (in view of the small entity status of the application) is enclosed to cover the fee required by 37 CFR § 1.17(c).

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Respectfully submitted,

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